



Glass jar
Artist: Cyndi Krzysik



Ceramic pitcher
Artist: Jan Johnson

Untitled
Artist: Vince Minichiello



Mosaic peg rack
Artist: Barbara Barker



'Stormy Waters'
Artist: Laurie Ann Kweidorowicz



Best of Show
'Fading Jet Stream'
Artist: Toshi Peterson

Wood box
Artist: Robert Anderson



Tablecloth
Artist: Kyoko Fukushima

Arts and Crafts winners selected

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The winners of the 2006 Army Arts and Crafts contest, Local Level, were announced during a reception at Top of the Bay May 18.

Debbie Brooks-Harris, manager of the Aberdeen Proving Ground Arts & Crafts Center, hosted the program and Col. John T. Wright, APG Garrison and deputy installation commander, presented the awards.

The annual contest is sponsored by the U.S. Army Community and Family Support Center. All authorized patrons of Morale, Welfare and Recreation are eligible to enter. After judging at the local level, first-place winners are forwarded to the next level of competition.

"From there, NERO selects which entries move on to the national contest," Brooks-Harris said.

She said the contestants included military and civilians, contractors, retirees and their family members.

"Most of them were already familiar with our services and much of the woodwork was prepared at the Edgewood Craft Shop," she

said.

She added that this was the installation's first time participating in the national contest. "We were so happy we did," she said. "The level of participation shows that arts and crafts is alive and kicking."

She added thanks to all participants and to the Harford County Artist Association.

"The judges really had a hard time," she said.

Entries covered 11 categories including Best in Show and Honorable Mention.

They included:

Category 1 – Ceramics

First place, Jan Johnson, pitcher/oriental painting

Second place, Roxanne Wright, pottery-thrown bowl

Third place, Jan Johnson, vase/oriental painting

Category 2 – Wood

First place, Robert Anderson, box

First place, Tyler Ehler, billiard bench

Second place, Owl cutout

Third place, box

Category 3 – Fibers and Textiles

First place, Kyoko Fukushima, tablecloth

First place, Marian Brooks, baby quilt

Second place, Bunny Libby, cross stitch

Third place, Mary Alexander, crochet blanket

Category 4 – Glass

First place, Cyndi Krzysik, glass jar

Category 5 – Metals and Jewelry

First place, Deena Greenwood, beaded jewelry

Category 6 – Mixed Media 3D

First place, Barbara Barker, peg rack (Mosaic)

Second place, Cyndi Krzysik, Bear Box

Third place, Barbara Barker, aqua and beige shelf

Category 7 – Drawings

First place, Robert Drager, 'Dog'

First place, Vince Minichiello, Untitled

Second place, Vince Minichiello, Untitled

Second place, Vince Minichiello, 'Confusion of the World'

Third place, Vince Minichiello, Untitled

Third place, Jacqueline Thornton, 'Glass Collection'

Category 8 – Prints

First place, Vince Minichiello, Untitled

Second place, Jan Johnson, 'Hawaii Wave'

Third place, Vince Minichiello, Untitled

Category 9 – Water-Based Painting

First place, Toshi Peterson, 'Fading Jet Stream'

Second place, Lavinia Ellis, 'Girl in Park'

Third place, Vince Minichiello, Untitled

Third place, Jacqueline Thornton, 'Glass Collection'

Category 10 – Oil-Based Painting

First place, Toshi Peterson, 'Deer Creek'

First place, Karen Hileman, Untitled

Second place, Reba Wachter, 'Fruit & Vases'

Second place, Reba Wachter, 'Wild Turkeys'

Third place, Vince Minichiello, 'Beginnings'

Category 11– Mixed Media-2D

First place, Laurie Ann Kweidorowicz, 'Stormy Waters'

Best of Show

Toshi Peterson, Category 9, 'Fading Jet Stream'

Honorable Mention

Tyler Ehlers, Category 2, billiard bench